



**Catholic Foundation of Northwest Pennsylvania  
Awards \$61,650 in Spring 2020 Grant Cycle!**

The Catholic Foundation of Northwest Pennsylvania is pleased to announce that a total of **\$61,650** has been awarded in grants through our 2020 Spring competitive grant programs. The competitive granting programs at the Catholic Foundation help ensure that departments of the Diocese of Erie, parishes, and Catholic schools have the financial resources to serve and make a difference – now and in the future. The granting program directly impacts the Catholic community in northwest Pennsylvania awarding competitive grants in support of Faith Formation and Catholic Education efforts.

**Faith Formation**

Understanding that formation in faith as Catholics never ends, the Catholic Foundation seeks to award grants in support of a wide variety of parish and diocesan life-long faith formation projects and programs. Faith Formation grants are awarded once a year in the spring to grantees throughout northwest Pennsylvania making an impact in the lives of Catholics in our communities.

**Six Faith Formation Grant Awards Totaling \$11,270**

2020 Faith Formation Grant Recipients		
Parish	Project Description	Amount Awarded
All Saints Parish (Waterford, PA)	To upgrade technology in Faith Formation classrooms	\$1,269
Holy Rosary Parish (Erie, PA)	To assist parish in obtaining an electronic message sign	\$2,000
Saint Boniface Parish (Erie, PA)	To purchase subscription to Formed online Faith Formation program	\$1,000
Saint Joseph Parish (Force, PA)	To purchase materials to support Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program	\$2,000
Saint Mark the Evangelist Parish (Erie, PA)	To support technology update to parish Catechesis Center	\$2,500
Saint Mark Parish (Emporium, PA)	To support purchase of subscriptions to Formed and Word on Fire online Faith Formation programs	\$2,500

**How can you help?** Faith Formation grants are made possible through the Evangelization Endowment of the Catholic Foundation. Donations in any amount designated for the Evangelization Endowment increase our capacity to award grants for creative and impactful life-long faith formation programs and projects throughout northwest Pennsylvania today and for future generations.

*Spirit led. Faith empowered.*

**How to apply?** The next Faith Formation grant cycle will open in early 2021. Grant guidelines and criteria can be found at [www.MyCatholicFoundation.org](http://www.MyCatholicFoundation.org). Departments of the Diocese of Erie and parishes in the diocese are invited to submit an application.

## Catholic Education

Catholic education is inclusive of all types of religious education and ministry formation and is offered to the faithful in many ways. Recognizing the ongoing needs in this area, the Catholic Foundation awards grants in support of religious education in Catholic schools and parishes, lay ministry formation and training, and support of ever-changing parish and school technology needs.

### Six Education Grant Awards Totaling \$50,380

2020 Spring Education Grant Recipients		
Parish / Catholic School	Project Description	Amount Awarded
Erie Catholic School System (Erie, PA)	To assist with the purchase of Chromebooks for middle school students	\$15,000
Erie Catholic School System (Erie, PA)	To enhance 2020-2021 system-wide religious education program	\$5,000
Mercyhurst Preparatory School (Erie, PA)	To assist with the purchase of twelve interactive classroom touchscreen displays	\$10,000
Saint Boniface Parish (Erie, PA)	To assist with the integration of technology into the Faith Formation classroom	\$2,500
Saint Boniface Parish (Kersey, PA)	To support purchase of Word on Fire Engage platform	\$2,880
Seton Catholic School (Meadville, PA)	To upgrade classroom technology and technology infrastructure	\$15,000

**How can you help?** Education grants are made possible through the Education Endowment of the Catholic Foundation. Donations in any amount designated for the Education Endowment increase our capacity to award grants for impactful Catholic education needs throughout northwest Pennsylvania today and for future generations.

**How to apply?** The Education grant fall cycle will open August 15, 2020. Grant guidelines and criteria can be found at [www.MyCatholicFoundation.org](http://www.MyCatholicFoundation.org). Departments of the Diocese of Erie, parishes and Catholic schools in the diocese are invited to submit an application.

#### **About the Catholic Foundation of Northwest Pennsylvania**

The Catholic Foundation works with donors to establish endowments – permanent charitable funds – to create long-lasting support for the causes they care about. It is the only community foundation in the 13-county Erie-based diocese that is guided by Catholic values and investment principles and governed by Catholic lay men and women from throughout the diocese.

More information about the Catholic Foundation may be found at [www.MyCatholicFoundation.org](http://www.MyCatholicFoundation.org).